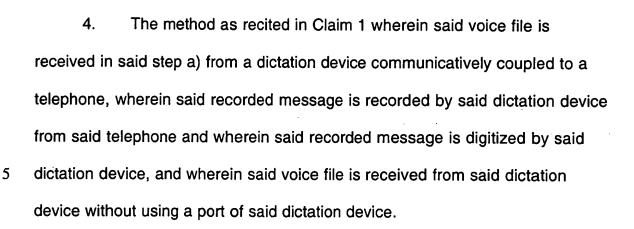CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1.   A method for capturing and transcribing information, said method

5   comprising the steps of:

a) receiving via the Internet a voice file from a first remote device, said

voice file comprising digitized data representing a recorded message;

b) sending said voice file to a remote transcription service provider via

the Internet;

10   c) receiving via the Internet a transcript file from said remote transcription

provider, said transcript file comprising a transcribed version of said recorded

message; and

d) distributing said transcribed version to a second remote device.

15   2.   The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein said information is a

medical record.

3.   The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein said voice file is

received in said step a) from a computer system communicatively coupled to a

20   telephone, wherein said recorded message is recorded by said computer

system from said telephone and wherein said recorded message is digitized by

said computer system.

4.   The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein said voice file is received in said step a) from a dictation device communicatively coupled to a telephone, wherein said recorded message is recorded by said dictation device from said telephone and wherein said recorded message is digitized by said

5   dictation device, and wherein said voice file is received from said dictation device without using a port of said dictation device.

5.   The method as recited in Claim 1 further comprising the step of: monitoring status of a voice file.

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6.   The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein said step a) further comprises the step of:

providing instructions to said first remote device via the Internet, wherein said instructions are for implementing a user interface according to user

15   preferences.

7.   The method as recited in Claim 1 comprising the step of: sending said transcribed version of said recorded message to a facsimile machine.

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8.   The method as recited in Claim 1 comprising the step of: sending said transcript file to a remote device operable to print said transcribed version.

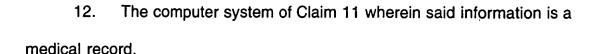9.	The method as recited in Claim 1 comprising the step of:

sending said transcribed version of said recorded message to a remote

device operable to display said transcribed version.

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10.	The method as recited in Claim 9 comprising the step of:

sending said voice file to a remote device operable to make said voice

file audible.

10	11.	A computer system comprising:

a bus;

a memory unit coupled to said bus; and

a processor coupled to said bus, said processor for executing a method

for capturing and transcribing information, said method comprising the steps of:

15	a) receiving via the Internet a voice file from a first remote device, said

voice file comprising digitized data representing a recorded message;

b) sending said voice file to a remote transcription service provider via

the Internet;

c) receiving via the Internet a transcript file from said remote transcription

20	provider, said transcript file comprising a transcribed version of said recorded

message; and

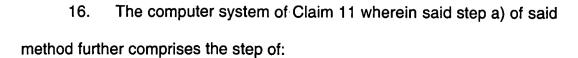d) distributing said transcribed version to a second remote device.

12.   The computer system of Claim 11 wherein said information is a medical record.

13.   The computer system of Claim 11 wherein said voice file is

5   received in said step a) of said method from a computer system communicatively coupled to a telephone, wherein said recorded message is recorded by said computer system from said telephone and wherein said recorded message is digitized by said computer system.

10   14.   The computer system of Claim 11 wherein said voice file is received in said step a) of said method from a dictation device communicatively coupled to a telephone, wherein said recorded message is recorded by said dictation device from said telephone and wherein said recorded message is digitized by said dictation device, and wherein said voice file is received from

15 said dictation device without using a port of said dictation device.

15.   The computer system of Claim 11 wherein said method comprises the step of:

monitoring status of a voice file.

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16. The computer system of Claim 11 wherein said step a) of said method further comprises the step of:

   providing instructions to said first remote device via the Internet, wherein said instructions are for implementing a user interface according to user

5 preferences.

17. The computer system of Claim 11 wherein said method comprises the step of:
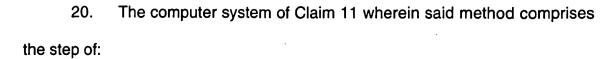
   sending said transcribed version of said recorded message to a facsimile

10 machine.

18. The computer system of Claim 11 wherein said method comprises the step of:

   sending said transcript file to a second remote device operable to print

15 said transcribed version.

19. The computer system of Claim 11 wherein said method comprises the step of:

   sending said transcribed version of said recorded message to a third

20 remote device operable to display said transcribed version.

20. The computer system of Claim 11 wherein said method comprises the step of:

sending said voice file to a remote device operable to make said voice file audible.

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21. A computer-usable medium having computer-readable program code embodied therein for causing a computer system to perform the steps of:

a) receiving via the Internet a voice file from a first remote device, said voice file comprising digitized data representing a recorded message;
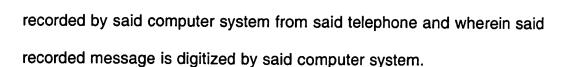
10 b) sending said voice file to a remote transcription service provider via the Internet;

c) receiving via the Internet a transcript file from said remote transcription provider, said transcript file comprising a transcribed version of said recorded message; and

15 d) distributing said transcribed version to a second remote device.

22. The computer-usable medium of Claim 21 wherein said information is a medical record.

20 23. The computer-usable medium of Claim 21 wherein said voice file is received in said step a) of said method from a computer system communicatively coupled to a telephone, wherein said recorded message is

recorded by said computer system from said telephone and wherein said

recorded message is digitized by said computer system.

24.   The computer-usable medium of Claim 21 wherein said voice file

5   is received in said step a) of said method from a dictation device

communicatively coupled to a telephone, wherein said recorded message is

recorded by said dictation device from said telephone and wherein said

recorded message is digitized by said dictation device, and wherein said voice

file is received from said dictation device without using a port of said dictation

10   device.

25.   The computer-usable medium of Claim 21 wherein said computer-

readable program code embodied therein causes a computer system to perform

the step of:

15   monitoring status of a voice file.

26.   The computer-usable medium of Claim 21 wherein said computer-

readable program code embodied therein causes a computer system to perform

the step of:

20   providing instructions to said first remote device via the Internet, wherein

said instructions are for implementing a user interface according to user

preferences.

27.   The computer-usable medium of Claim 21 wherein said computer-readable program code embodied therein causes a computer system to perform the step of:

sending said transcribed version of said recorded message to a facsimile

5   machine.

28.   The computer-usable medium of Claim 21 wherein said computer-readable program code embodied therein causes a computer system to perform the step of:

10   sending said transcript file to a second remote device operable to print said transcribed version.

29.   The computer-usable medium of Claim 21 wherein said computer-readable program code embodied therein causes a computer system to perform

15   the step of:

sending said transcribed version of said recorded message to a third remote device operable to display said transcribed version.

30.   The computer-usable medium of Claim 21 wherein said computer-

20   readable program code embodied therein causes a computer system to perform the step of:

sending said voice file to a remote device operable to make said voice file audible.